

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Shinya WATANABE , et al.

Appln. No.: Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit:

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Examiner:

Filed: June 07, 2001

For: PRODUCTION PROCESS OF CYCLOHEXENYL METHYL KETONES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Page 1, paragraph 2, the specification is changed as follows:**

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

**2,6,6-Trimethylcyclohexenyl methyl ketone is a useful compound as an intermediate for the synthesis of fruity floral fragrant materials such as  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -damascone.**

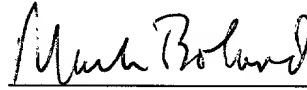
**Damascones typified by  $\alpha$ -damascone which serves as a key note component of natural roses have been commercially produced and practically used as an important fruity floral fragrance. Damascones have three double-bond-depending isomers as described below. These isomers have their own odor notes, respectively, while they have a fruity floral note basically. They are used differently according to their application purposes.**

AMENDMENT  
Attorney Docket No. Q4848

**REMARKS**

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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**APPENDIX**

**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

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